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Top Stories

- Barclays and its subsidiaries agreed to pay more than \$400 million to settle charges it tried to manipulate key global interest rates tied to all manner of loans and investments for 4 years. *Associated Press* (See item <u>6</u>)
- An international cyber sting led by the FBI attracted criminals from four continents looking to buy and sell stolen credit card numbers, bank information, and drivers licenses online. The sting led to 24 arrests. *ABC News* (See item <u>10</u>)
- The governors of Wisconsin and Minnesota declared states of emergency in response to heavy flooding that caused tens of millions in damage to roads, public infrastructure, and homes. *Reuters* (See item <u>13</u>)
- An explosive wildfire doubled in size and moved into residential area of Colorado Springs,
 Colorado, a city of about 400,000. The fire chased 32,000 people from homes and forced
 the evacuation of the U.S. Air Force Academy campus. It was just one of several huge fires
 burning in Colorado and Utah. CNN (See item 44)

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Energy Sector

1. June 27, Towanda Daily Review – (Pennsylvania) Two charged in burglaries of gas drilling company. Two Bradford County, Pennsylvania men have been charged in a series of burglaries over the past month at T3 Energy Services on U.S. Route 220 in Ulster Township, in which gas well equipment valued at \$92,000-\$128,500 was stolen, police said. The items stolen included valves, casing heads, casing spools, and tree caps, State police at Towanda reported. State police said they searched a vehicle the two men used in the burglaries and found two syringes with needles in the vehicle, as well as a substance in the glove box that field tested positive for heroin. The two were both charged with five counts of burglary, five counts of theft by unlawful taking or disposition, one count of receiving stolen property, and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia, police said.

Source: http://thedailyreview.com/news/two-charged-in-burglaries-of-gas-drilling-company-1.1335316

2. June 27, Scranton Times-Tribune – (Pennsylvania) Study: Airborne methane plume found near Bradford County gas migration site. Methane seeping up underground pathways caused concentrated plumes of gas in the air in Bradford County, Pennsylvania, where the State and a natural gas drilling company were investigating the cause of stray methane bubbling in streams and water wells, said a study released June 26 by the Clean Air Council. The 3.5 hour survey conducted for the environmental organization by Gas Safety Inc. in Leroy Township June 8 found average ground-level methane concentrations in a roughly 2-square-mile area at nearly twice normal background levels for the region's air. The methane concentration in the air spiked to 22 parts per million — more than 10 times the highest background level of 1.95 parts per million — during a roadside survey north of Route 414 and Rockwell Road. The concentration and size of the plume "clearly indicate that one or more methane emissions were present and releasing substantial amounts of methane," the report said. The scientists ruled out nearby farm or other natural sources of so-called biogenic methane, like animal manure, and found no elevated levels downwind of a nearby Chesapeake Energy natural gas well pad that might have indicated leaking from aboveground infrastructure.

Source: http://thetimes-tribune.com/news/study-airborne-methane-plume-found-near-bradford-county-gas-migration-site-1.1335347

3. June 26, Richmond Times Dispatch – (Virginia) Dominion says most power to be restored by Wednesday night. Dominion Virginia Power said it took until June 27 to restore power to the "vast majority" of customers who lost electricity in June 25 storms. June 26, the utility reported about 36,000 customers without power, most of them in western Henrico County. Dominion said 192,000 customers lost power at the peak of the storms. Dominion said it borrowed from neighboring utilities to put more than 1,700 workers on the ground. The task was made more difficult by fallen trees and debris blocking access for assessments, let alone repairs. Henrico County alone accounted for about 41,000 of the customer outages in the Richmond area, Dominion said. A spokesman added 12,952 customers were without power in Richmond, and another 7,585 were powerless in Hanover.

Source: http://www2.timesdispatch.com/news/2012/jun/26/24/tens-thousands-remain-without-power-today-richmond-ar-2014209/

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. June 27, Associated Press – (Indiana) Sulfuric acid leaks from tank in Indianapolis. Fire department officials said up to 1,000 gallons of sulfuric acid leaked from a storage take at a chemical business near downtown Indianapolis June 27. A city fire lieutenant said the leak was reported about an hour after a worker at General Chemical first noticed it. She said the acid was contained within a few hours. Much of the sulfuric acid remaining in the 18,000-gallon tank was transferred into a tanker truck and other storage tanks in the industrial area just south of the city's downtown, the fire lieutenant added. Officials said the leak was in a pipe leading from the tank.

Source: http://abclocal.go.com/wls/story?section=news/local/indiana&id=8716275

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. June 26, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission – (National) Servpro recalls
Notus air movers due to fire hazard. Servpro issued a voluntary recall, in cooperation
with the Consumer Product Safety Commission, for about 24,000 Notus air
movers/blowers June 26. Consumers should stop using the product immediately unless
otherwise instructed. The movers/blowers were manufactured by EDIC of Los Angeles.
The air mover/blower's internal electrical capacitor can fail and overheat, posing a fire
hazard. Servpro received four reports of overheating incidents with the recalled air
movers/blowers. Three of the incidents resulted in property damage, including a fire at
a home in San Diego that caused \$475,000 in damage. The recall involves commercial
air movers/blowers used to dry flooring, walls, and furniture in homes and other
buildings. The movers/blowers were sold at Servpro's independently-owned franchises
nationwide from April 2004 through August 2010.

Source: http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml12/12739.html

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Banking and Finance Sector

6. June 27, Associated Press – (International) Barclays will pay \$400M for manipulating interest rates. Barclays and its subsidiaries agreed to pay more than \$400 million to settle charges it tried to manipulate key global interest rates, the Associated Press reported June 27. The rates affect the costs of hundreds of trillions of dollars in loans and investments such as bonds, auto loans, and derivatives. The U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) said the incidents occurred between 2005 and 2009 and sometimes took place daily. The CFTC said Barclays senior management and multiple traders were involved, and they coordinated with traders at other banks to make false submissions. The falsified data was used in determining the London interbank offered rate (LIBOR) and Euribor rates, which influence many other interest rates. Barclays' settlement with the CFTC includes a \$200 million civil penalty. Britain's financial services authority levied a fine of \$92.7 million, the biggest fine ever imposed by the British regulator. Barclays also agreed to pay \$160 million as part of an agreement with the fraud section of the Justice Department's criminal unit on a related matter.

Source: http://www.usatoday.com/money/industries/banking/story/2012-06-27/barclays-penalty/55854212/1

7. June 27, Associated Press – (National) 2 plead guilty to skimming IDs for fake cards. A Bulgarian man and a Florida woman pleaded guilty in Birmingham, Alabama, to skimming bank customers' identification at ATMs across the south and using the information to create more than 300 counterfeit credit and debit cards, the Associated Press reported June 27. Federal officials said the two pleaded guilty to bank fraud, possession of counterfeit cards, and aggravated identity theft. Prosecutors said the fraud cost the Bank of America more than \$862,000, which the two must repay. Hoover, Alabama police arrested the two in May 2011 as they attempted to place a camouflaged skimmer on a bank ATM. They recovered \$50,000 in cash and skimmer equipment from their hotel room. Prosecutors said the two were working with a group that placed skimmers in Alabama, North Carolina, Florida, Virginia, Tennessee, and South Carolina.

Source: http://www.sfgate.com/news/article/2-plead-guilty-to-skimming-IDs-for-fake-cards-3665986.php

8. *June 27, Reuters* – (International) **U.S. files lawsuit against Wyndham over data breach.** U.S. regulators filed a complaint against Wyndham Worldwide Corp and three subsidiaries June 26, alleging that a failure by the hospitality company to safeguard consumers' personal information led to more than \$10 million lost to fraud. The Federal

Trade Commission (FTC) said repeated failures to secure consumer data led to hundreds of thousands of consumers' payment card information being exported to an Internet domain address registered in Russia. Wyndham operates several hotel brands, including the value-oriented Days Inn and Super 8. In its complaint, the FTC said fraudulent charges on Wyndham's consumer accounts totaled more than \$10.6 million following three data breaches in less than 2 years. The breaches occurred in April 2008, March 2009, and in late 2009, it said. A vice president for investor relations at Wyndham said the company offered affected customers credit-monitoring services while also strengthening its security systems. Wyndham was unaware of any customers losing money because of the breach, he said.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/06/27/uk-ftc-wyndham-idUSLNE85Q01Q20120627

9. June 26, San Jose Mercury News – (California) Los Gatos developer, two others indicted on charges related to mortgage fraud. A Los Gatos, California developer, his nephew, and a real estate broker were indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of bank fraud, conspiracy, and making false statements to financial institutions related to the sale of homes in a Salinas subdivision. The indictment alleges the developer and his nephew built the homes and then sold them to low-income home buyers who they knew would not be able to afford them. The indictment said the suspects falsified loan documents to secure financing, and when a dozen homes went into foreclosure, the prices plummeted from the 2006 sale price. According to the U.S. Department of Justice, the family members made more than \$4.5 million through the sales, while the broker got \$230,000. The banks lost more than \$5.5 million.

Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/los-gatos/ci_20944864/los-gatos-developer-two-others-indicted-charges-related

10. June 26, ABC News – (International) Largest cyber sting in history nabs 24 on four continents. An international cyber sting led by the FBI attracted criminals from around the world and led to 24 arrests in what is believed to be a multi-million online financial fraud case, ABC News reported June 26. Eleven people were arrested in the United States, and another 13 were taken into custody by foreign law enforcement officials. Officials called the sting the largest coordinated international police action in history targeting cyber crime. The cyber sting used a Web site created by federal law enforcement officials as the spider web that lured in the alleged criminals. It was dubbed "Operation Card Shop," officials said. The alleged fraudsters could buy and sell stolen credit card numbers, drivers licenses, and bank information on the Web site, as well as discuss general hacking techniques. Agents then identified the suspects and fanned out across four continents to make the arrests. The actions were the result of a 2-year undercover operation led by the FBI.

Source: http://abcnews.go.com/Business/largest-cyber-sting-history-nabs-24-continents/story?id=16653993#.T-sjIpFgrNO

11. *June 26, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (National) **SEC charges founder of equity research firm with insider trading.** The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) June 26 charged the owner of the California-based equity research firm Insight Research with insider trading. The SEC alleged that from 2006 through

2009, the owner frequently traded in the securities of Abaxis, Inc. based on inside information he received from a close relative employed at Abaxis. He repeatedly traded for himself in advance of the company's quarterly earnings announcements while in possession of key data in those announcements, reaping approximately \$145,000 in illicit profits. In addition to trading in his own account, the SEC alleged he passed the inside data to New York-based Barai Capital Management and Boston-based Sonar Capital Management. The two hedge fund managers — who collectively were paying Insight Research tens of thousands of dollars each month — traded Abaxis securities based on the inside information he provided and reaped more than \$7.2 million in illicit gains for their hedge funds.

Source: http://www.sec.gov/news/press/2012/2012-121.htm

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Transportation Sector

12. June 27, MSNBC; Associated Press; Reuters – (Florida) Debby aftermath: Flooded homes, busted roads. Tropical Depression Debby moved off into the Atlantic June 27, as many Florida communities started the process of drying out and cleaning up. Flooding damaged thousands of homes, washed out roads, opened up sinkholes, and closed a section of Interstate 10 — the State's main east-west highway. In the Tampa area, more than 20 sinkholes opened up from the flash flooding. Water was up to the roofs at some homes in low lying areas of Live Oak. Several feet of water remained around businesses in downtown near the courthouse, and many roads were impassable. Portions of Interstate 10 in Lake City remained closed early June 27 due to flooding. The Florida Highway Patrol said two sections of the interstate were still under water. Both sections were near the area where the highway intersects with Interstate 75. Meanwhile, authorities reopened the Sunshine Skyway Bridge near St. Petersburg early June 27, more than 2 days after it was closed due to high winds. Disney World was not as crowded as usual June 27, and one of its water parks closed because of the soggy, windy weather. The storm knocked out power to 250,000 homes and business, but electricity was restored to all but about 15,000 Progress Energy customers by midday June 26.

Source: http://today.msnbc.msn.com/id/47978615/ns/weather/#.T-tEMZGqHOk

13. June 27, Reuters – (Wisconsin; Minnesota) Governor declares state of emergency in Wisconsin flooding. The governor of Wisconsin declared a state of emergency June 26 for three counties in the northwest corner of the State after heavy rain caused flooding. Some roads remain underwater from the heavy rain of 3-5 inches that fell across northwestern Wisconsin June 19 and 20, causing damage to roads, culverts, and other public infrastructure of more than \$2.5 million. The state of emergency covers Douglas, Ashland, and Bayfield counties. The governor also directed all State agencies to assist the area in the cleanup and recovery effort. Three people died in Clark County to the south when vehicles entered a ravine created where a road washed out. The governor of Minnesota declared a state of emergency late the week of June 18 for the northeastern

part of the State where up to 10 inches of rain fell in some spots. Hundreds of residents in northeastern Minnesota were forced from their homes because of flooding that ripped up dozens of roads and caused mudslides and sinkholes. June 21, Duluth's mayor said damage was estimated at up to \$80 million to the city's public infrastructure alone.

Source: http://in.reuters.com/article/2012/06/27/weather-midwest-floods-idINL2E8HQKP820120627

14. June 27, USA Today – (New Jersey) Possible stowaways sought in container on ship at N.J. port. The Coast Guard narrowed its search June 27 for possible stowaways on a Pakistani ship from Egypt bound for New York City harbor to about 200 containers on a ship at New Jersey's Port Newark Container Terminal. A Coast Guard spokesman said the search, which began very early June 27 could last into June 28. Between 80 and 90 containers had been inspected, and he said it takes about 8 minutes to X-ray and inspect each one. Inspectors were alerted to possible stowaways after hearing sounds coming from one of the Ville D'Aquarius' 2,000 containers during a routine inspection, said a spokeswoman for the Coast Guard New York Command Center. No knocking had been heard since the original report, the Coast Guard spokesman said. The Newark Star Ledger reported officers from DHS's Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency, the Coast Guard, and the Port Authority were on board the ship in preparation for the opening of the container. More than a dozen ambulances were standing by on the pier, the Associated Press reported. The ship left Egypt June 15. The Associated Press said the container was loaded in India and is said to contain machine parts bound for Norfolk, Virginia.

Source: http://content.usatoday.com/communities/ondeadline/post/2012/06/stowaways-suspected-to-be-in-container-on-ship-at-nj-port/1#.T-szOJGqHOk

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Agriculture and Food Sector

15. June 27, Food Safety News – (California) CA writes food safety standards for cantaloupes. California cantaloupes will soon come with the assurance that they meet strict food safety standards, thanks to a mandatory Statewide program that includes both announced and unannounced inspections and certification under government oversight, Food Safety News reported June 27. The plan is for the program to begin this season, which lasts into the fall, but approval of an audit checklist by the U.S. Department of Agriculture is still forthcoming. This is the State's first mandatory food safety program implemented by a commodity board. The goal was to come up with a

program tailored to Food and Drug Administration-approved food safety guidelines for growing, shipping, and packing conditions in California. California provides 70 percent of the cantaloupes sold in the United States. Triggering this move on the part of the State's cantaloupe industry was the 2011 Listeria outbreak — one of the deadliest in U.S. history — which was traced to contaminated cantaloupes from Jensen Farms in Colorado. In that 28-State outbreak, at least 32 people died and hundreds of people were sickened.

Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/06/food-safety-will-be-the-law-for-ca-cantaloupes/

16. June 27, Ag Alert – (California) Citrus growers cope with labor, pest

concerns. Facing unusual difficulty hiring enough harvest help, lemon growers in Ventura County, California, said they are getting the job done by sharing resources, Ag Alert reported June 27. Another area of concern for citrus growers in California is the Asian citrus psyllid and the deadly, bacterial tree disease called huanglongbing (HLB) that the insect can carry to citrus trees. HLB, which is widespread in the southeastern United States, is responsible for killing 200,000 acres of Florida citrus groves. The psyllid showed up in a California Department of Food and Agriculture trap in San Diego County in 2008 and has since been found in several southern California counties. A director of industry relations for California Citrus Mutual, said HLB is the most serious disease facing citrus because there is no known cure.

Source: http://agalert.com/story/?id=4380

17. June 26, Iowa Cattlemen's Association – (Iowa) Cattle producers encouraged to watch cattle closely as high heat predicted for midwest. The heat situation for cattle was to be in the "danger" and "emergency" areas for 3 days the week of June 25, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Meat Animal Research Center. The estimates of heat stress are based on four specific weather factors: temperature, wind speed, humidity, and solar radiation. The CEO for the Iowa Cattlemen's Association (ICA) said compared to other animals, cattle rely on respiration more than sweating to cool down.

 $Source: \underline{http://beefmagazine.com/health/cattle-producers-encouraged-watch-cattle-\underline{closely-high-heat-predicted-midwest}}$

18. June 26, Food Safety News – (New York) Officials tracking Shigella outbreak in upstate New York. The week of June 18, health officials announced they were investigating an ongoing Shigella outbreak in New York's Onondaga County, Food Safety News reported June 26. Since that time, the victim count rose from 25 to 34. The Onondaga County Health Department said 21 cases were confirmed and 13 more are probably part of the outbreak as well. Investigators were working to determine the source of the Shigella bacteria, which they think is being transmitted both through food and from person to person through human fecal matter. The illness usually resolves within 5-7 days.

Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/06/officials-tracking-shigella-outbreak-in-upstate-new-york/

- 19. June 26, Agriculture.com (National) Crop ratings 'worst since 1989'. The national crop condition report June 26 showed the national percent of good to excellent condition for corn was the worst since 1989, when national crop condition reports began. National soybean crop conditions were similarly the worst since records have been kept back to 1989. The national crop condition for corn was 56 percent good to excellent, and soybeans were rated at 53 percent good to excellent. The lack of rainfall particularly in the eastern and southern cornbelt States is taking its toll on early crop development. Recently some locations have had the hottest temperatures on record. Source: http://www.agriculture.com/news/crops/crop-ratings-wst-since-1989_2-ar24877
- 20. June 26, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel (Wisconsin) Emerald ash borer strikes Janesville, Bong recreation area. The emerald ash borer continued to spread in Wisconsin, with State officials announcing June 26 the discovery of two new locations for the invasive pest the City of Janesville and in the Richard Bong State Recreation Area in Kenosha County. The invasive pest is responsible for the deaths of tens of millions of ash trees in the eastern United States and Canada, and now has been found in 12 Wisconsin counties since 2008. Also, the pest was discovered for the first time on State-owned property when beetles were found in survey traps the week of June 18. A subsequent search of the 4,500-acre Bong recreation area revealed the presence of infested trees. The pest has been now been found in Brown, Crawford, Kenosha, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Rock, Vernon, Walworth, Washington, and Waukesha counties.

Source:

 $\underline{\text{http://www.jsonline.com/blogs/news/160388285.html\#!page=1\&pageSize=10\&sort=newstfirst}$

21. June 26, Associated Press – (National) Drought-stricken Wyo. ranchers look to ND pastures. Drought-stricken cattle ranchers in Wyoming are looking to surrounding States for grazing land, and their best bet might be North Dakota, where farmers in 2012 have been luckier than their neighbors, the Associated Press reported June 26. While large areas of Wyoming, Montana, Nebraska, and South Dakota are in drought, that is not the case in North Dakota. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported about two-thirds of North Dakota's pasture and range land was in good-to-excellent shape. That is one reason the Wyoming Department of Agriculture director contacted the North Dakota Agriculture commissioner to inquire about the possibility of Wyoming cattle being moved to that State. Wyoming officials have requested a federal disaster declaration for all but one county, said the executive secretary of Wyoming's Department of Agriculture.

Source: http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/drought-stricken-wyo-ranchers-pastures-16653320#.T-sU65H3Th5

22. June 26, Los Angeles City News Service – (California) Ammonia leak in Mira Loma warehouse prompts evacuations. An ammonia leak that forced the evacuation of a cold-storage warehouse in the Mira Loma section of Riverside County, California, was stopped June 26. The leak was reported late June 25 at a Millard refrigeration warehouse. More than 70 employees were evacuated when someone detected an

"unknown substance," and the Riverside County Fire Department's Hazardous Materials Team and county environmental health officials were called in. The leak was stopped after more than 4 hours. Fire officials said anhydrous ammonia leaked from a pressurized cylinder, affecting 75,000 square feet of the 680,000-square-foot warehouse.

Source: http://www.swrnn.com/2012/06/26/ammonia-leak-in-mira-loma-warehouse-prompts-evacuations/

23. June 26, KOVR 13 Sacramento – (California) Commercial bakery to pay \$1.3M for air violations. A commercial bakery in Lodi, California, will pay \$1.3 million for releasing harmful chemical vapors into the, according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), KOVR 13 Sacramento reported June 26. Ralcorp's Cottage Bakery was ordered to pay a penalty of \$625,000 after an investigation revealed it never applied for air pollution permits to install and operate the facility's ovens and associated air pollution controls that minimize the release of ethanol, said the EPA. Cottage Bakery installed three ovens between 1997 and 2006. The company also paid \$750,000 to install an apparatus that will cut down on these harmful emissions by 95 percent. Source: http://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2012/06/26/lodi-commercial-bakery-to-pay-1-3m-for-air-violations/

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Water Sector

24. June 27, Springfield Republican – (Massachusetts) Chicopee water main break reported near City Hall. A water main break in Chicopee, Massachusetts, June 27 spilled 1.7 million gallons of water and caused a 20-inch brick storm drain to collapse. The 12-inch cast iron water main ruptured causing a section of Springfield Street to reportedly collapse. Center Street was closed where the water main broke in front of city hall and police were redirecting traffic. The assistant superintendent of the city's water department said the repairs were expected to last into late June 27.

http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2012/06/chicopee_water_main_break_repo.ht ml

25. June 26, KVUE 24 Austin – (Texas) Odor complaint leads city to serious sewage leak. City crews worked June 26 to fix a manhole leaking into Marble Creek in Austin, Texas, spilling more than 100,000 gallons of sewage. The leak began at least 2 days previously after a nearby wastewater lift station simply stopped. An automated alert should have gone out but did not, officials said. Sewage backed up until it burst through a manhole into the water. Crews were pumping contaminated water out at 1,000 gallons an hour. Officials said most of the leaked sewage should be pumped out by June 27. Until water quality tests come in, swimming was on hold at McKinney Falls State Park. The city said people with private wells within a half-mile radius should boil their water until June 27.

Source: http://www.kvue.com/news/Odor-complaint-leads-city-to-serious-sewage-leak-160469955.html

26. June 26, Riverside Press-Enterprise – (California) Vandalism sends sewage spilling into creek. An estimated 300,000 gallons of raw sewage spilled into a dry creek bed in a residential neighborhood of Jurupa Valley, California, June 25, after a vandal or vandals removed a manhole cover and stuffed debris into a sewer line, causing it to overflow, Jurupa Community Services District officials said. Officials said a video camera inserted into the blocked section of pipe shows what is believed to be lumber, pieces of rug, and part of a tree stump blocking the pipe. At one point, five Inland-area water and sewer agencies responded to the Jurupa district's request for assistance and sent sewer vacuum trucks to staunch the flow of sewage. The flow never reached the Santa Ana River. Biologists will oversee cleanup of the creek bed, officials said, noting it would probably involve hauling away some contaminated dirt and using chemicals to nullify pathogens that may be trapped in the dirt.

Source: http://www.pe.com/local-news/riverside-county/riverside/riverside-headlines-index/20120626-jurupa-valley-vandalism-causes-sewage-spill.ece

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

27. June 27, WFAA 8 Dallas – (Texas) Texas AG lawsuits spurred by WFAA dental investigation. The Texas Attorney General filed lawsuits the week of June 25 charging a Dallas dentist and his corporate entities bilked taxpayers out of millions for fraudulent orthodontic work on poor families. The suits alleges that the dentist and the other defendants billed for work not medically necessary and, in some cases, performed it with unqualified dental workers. They also "upcoded," or billed for orthodontics which were more expensive than what was provided, the suit states. The dentist and his former firm, All Smiles, billed Medicaid for at least \$15 million over 2 years, which is twice as much as the entire State of Illinois. The lawsuits seek to recoup "two times the amount of the overpayments." A former All Smiles employee and a Dallas orthodontist filed separate whistleblower lawsuits in April and May alleging fraud by the dentist and his firms. Both lawsuits remained sealed while the attorney general investigated the claims. June 25, the attorney general's office joined those lawsuits by refiling them in the State's name. The dentist and All Smiles declared bankruptcy following a series of reports detailing how he and other dentists around Texas gamed the welfare system by billing for unnecessary dental work.

 $Source: \ http://www.wfaa.com/news/texas-news/Attorney-General-files-lawsuits-related-to-WFAA-dental-investigations-160402665.html$

28. June 27, HealthImaging – (Alaska) Alaska Medicaid settles HIPAA security case for \$1.7M. The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), the State Medicaid agency, has agreed to pay the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) \$1.7 million to settle possible violations of the HIPAA Security Rule, HealthImaging reported June 27. Alaska DHSS also agreed to take corrective action to properly safeguard electronic protected health information (ePHI) of Medicaid beneficiaries. The HHS' Office for Civil Rights (OCR) began its investigation

following a breach report submitted by Alaska DHSS as required by the HITECH Act. The report indicated a portable electronic storage device (USB hard drive) possibly containing ePHI was stolen from the vehicle of a DHSS employee. The OCR found evidence the DHSS did not have adequate policies and procedures in place to safeguard ePHI. Furthermore, the evidence indicated the DHSS had not completed a risk analysis, implemented sufficient risk management measures, completed security training for its workforce members, implemented device, and media controls, or addressed device and media encryption as required by the HIPAA Security Rule. The agreement includes a corrective action plan that requires the DHSS to review, revise, and maintain policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the HIPAA Security Rule. A monitor will report back to OCR regularly on ongoing compliance efforts. Source:

http://www.healthimaging.com/index.php?option=com_articles&view=article&id=344 49:alaska-medicaid-settles-hipaa-security-case-for-17m

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Government Facilities Sector

29. June 26, Dayton Beach News-Journal – (Florida) Bomb threats evacuate Daytona courthouse, Ormond Walmart. In Florida, the Volusia County Courthouse Annex in Daytona Beach and the Walmart Supercenter in Ormond Beach were evacuated June 25 after someone called in bomb threats. The caller telephoned sheriff's dispatch, police said. No devices were found at either location, but the threats were taken seriously and bomb-sniffing dogs were sent in to check both facilities, said Ormond Beach police. The "all-clear" was given after about 1.5 hours at the courthouse and after about 3 hours at the Walmart.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.news-journalonline.com/news/local/east-volusia/2012/06/26/bomb-threats-evacuate-daytona-courthouse-ormond-walmart.html}$

30. June 26, Lancaster Intelligencer Journal – (Pennsylvania) Explosion injures
Millersville University student. A student's face was cut June 26 when a bottle
containing chemicals exploded in a laboratory at Millersville University in Millersville,
Pennsylvania, officials said. The accident happened during a chemistry class in Caputo
Hall, according to a university spokeswoman. A student "who had been doing an
experiment poured leftover chemicals in a discard jar, which is customary," she said.
"Then he put the lid on and walked away, which is not typical." The three chemicals
were acids. "Pressure built up and caused the jar to explode while another student was
walking by it," she said. "The pressure caused heat and that's what blew it up." The
student was washed down in a shower out in the street by HAZMAT and taken by
ambulance to the hospital. About 50 students and faculty at the Argires Science
Complex were evacuated for about 2 hours.

Source: http://lancasteronline.com/article/local/677042_Explosion-injures-Millersville-University-student.html

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Emergency Services Sector

31. June 27, Associated Press – (New Jersey) NJ town fires EMS service over registrations. A southern New Jersey town fired its ambulance service after learning several of the nonprofit group's vehicles were not properly registered, the Associated Press reported June 27. Officials in Gloucester Township made the decision after seven ambulances belonging to the Gloucester Township EMS Alliance were taken off the road by the State Office of Emergency Medical Services. The police chief said the town will instead use emergency responders from the fire department and two neighboring towns.

Source: http://www.abc27.com/story/18891303/nj-town-fires-ems-service-over-registrations

32. June 26, Los Angeles Times – (California) Guards fire warning shots after inmates riot at Wasco State Prison. Prison guards fired three warning shots June 26 after about 80 inmates began rioting at Wasco State Prison-Reception Center, northwest of Bakersfield, California. No inmates were struck by the three lethal rounds fired from the Ruger Mini-14 rifle, but two prisoners were taken to hospitals for injuries they sustained during the brawl, according to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Guards were forced to fire the shots because blast grenades and pepper spray failed to stop the rioting, which broke out on an exercise yard, authorities said. Guards recovered numerous inmate-made weapons. The cause of the riot was under investigation.

Source: http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/lanow/2012/06/inmate-riot-wasco-state-prison.html

- 33. June 26, WREG 3 Memphis (Arkansas) Inmate shoots himself with smuggled gun. An inmate at the Crittenden County Jail in West Memphis, Arkansas, was rushed to the hospital to be treated for a bullet wound caused by a .25 caliber handgun. The Crittenden County chief deputy believes the inmate was trying to make a silencer with a toilet paper roll and shot himself while testing it. Deputies found the gun inside a sock in a trash bag during a shakedown. "It looks like one of those jailers is going to be responsible for bringing that in," the chief deputy said. People who live in the county are calling for more security inside the jail. The chief said that is about to happen. He wants more intensive background checks on all employees. He adds, "We are considering buying more efficient metal detectors. But for now, the department plans on keeping a watchful eye on who it brings in and who it hires."

 Source: http://wreg.com/2012/06/25/security-concerns-after-inmates-shoots-himself-with-smuggled-gun/
- 34. *June 26, Jacksonville Journal-Courier* (Illinois) **Illinois firefighter arrested on arson charge.** A Baylis, Illinois firefighter ended up in jail after he helped put out a mobile home fire June 24 that he now stands accused of starting. He will appear in court on a felony arson charge filed June 25 by a Pike County State's attorney. He is accused of setting fire to an abandoned trailer in Baylis the State's attorney said. No one

was living there, the prosecutor said. When Baylis Fire Department firefighters responded to the call, the trailer was fully engulfed in flames. They extinguished the fire with the help of Griggsville and North Pike Fire departments. Following "a brief on-scene investigation," the firefighter was brought to the Pike County Sheriff's Department for questioning and then arrested on a preliminary charge of arson, the sheriff said. He was immediately relieved of his duties upon his arrest and taken to the Pike County Jail, where he was being held in lieu of \$15,000 bail. Source: http://www.firehouse.com/news/10734731/illinois-firefighter-arrested-on-

arson-charge

35. June 26, WPEC 12 West Palm Beach – (Florida) 2 guards accused of smuggling

35. June 26, WPEC 12 West Palm Beach – (Florida) 2 guards accused of smuggling drugs into Florida prison. Two guards were charged with smuggling cell phones, tobacco, synthetic marijuana, and other contraband into a federal prison in the Florida Panhandle, WPEC 12 reported June 26. Prosecutors June 25 announced the indictments of the two guards. They were charged with bribery and smuggling contraband into the Federal Correctional Institution at Marianna in exchange for cash and stored-value cards from inmates. If convicted, each could face up to 15 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Source: http://www.cbs12.com/news/top-stories/stories/vid_974.shtml

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Information Technology Sector

36. June 27, Threatpost – (International) Researcher warns of security hole in KeePass password manager. A researcher from Vulnerability Lab said in an e-mail to Threatpost that he discovered a hole in a software filter and validation feature in KeePass Password Manager up to and including v1.22. If exploited, the hole would enable an attacker with access to a machine running the KeePass software to inject malicious script by passing the html/xml export feature a specially crafted file. The security hole is rated "medium" — a reflection of the need for attackers to obtain local access to a vulnerable system, and fool users into taking certain actions to import malicious content without noticing that it is malicious. The researcher said the vulnerability is remote exploitable.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/researcher-warns-security-hole-keepass-password-manager-062712

37. June 27, Help Net Security – (International) Customized webinjects for Zeus and SpyEye Trojans on sale. Criminals are selling customized webinjects that are priced per feature. For example, one seller offers a webinject for Zeus/SpyEye that contains the automatic transfer system. Initially, criminals used malware-based pricing for selling webinjects. In this model, webinjects were developed for specific malware platforms such as Zeus and SpyEye, and priced per platform. Certain platforms commanded a higher price for webinjects. This pricing system was followed with bulk pricing, where criminals offered discounts for large orders, as well as geography-based pricing, where webinjects costs were determined by the location of the target they were designed to attack. That was followed by production cost pricing, where sellers offered

cheaper pre-made webinjects and charged a premium for custom webinjects. The new pricing strategy Trusteer discovered charges for webinjects based on specific features requested and user information they are designed to steal. In one advertisement they came across, the criminal offers to develop webinjects for any malware platform (e.g., SpyEye, Zeus, Ice IX) and target specified by the buyer.

Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2163&utm

38. June 27, IDG News Service – (International) Gunmen drive into Microsoft's Greece headquarters, set van on fire. Armed men drove a stolen van loaded with gas canisters into the Microsoft Greece headquarters in Athens June 27 and set it on fire, causing damage to the building. "The Microsoft building in Athens, Greece, was attacked by assailants who drove a van through the entrance to the building, ushered the two security personnel out of the building, and then set the van on fire," a Microsoft spokeswoman said. The stolen van was packed with gas canisters and other cans of flammable materials, but no one was injured, local news media reports said. The attack occurred around 4 a.m. Athens time, and the gunmen escaped. Microsoft has more than 150 permanent employees in Greece, according to its Web site. The Microsoft office was closed and the counterterrorism unit of the Greek national police launched an investigation. The reasons behind the attack were not immediately clear. Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9228564/Gunmen_drive_into_Microsoft_39_s_Greece_headquarters_set_van_on_fire?source=rss_security&utm_source=feedburner_&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed:+computerworld/s/feed/topic/17+(Computerworld+Security+News)&ut

- 39. *June 27*, *H Security* (International) **Chrome 20 closes 23 security holes.** Google closed 23 vulnerabilities with the release of Chrome 20. Of those vulnerabilities, 14 are rated critical, enabling attackers to execute code in the browser's sandbox, among other things. Integer overflow vulnerabilities in the code for processing PDF files and Matroska containers (.mkv) were also fixed. Chrome 20 also includes the latest version of Adobe's Flash Player on Linux, using the new cross-platform Pepper API. In testing at the H, it was confirmed the Flash Player support also works on 64-bit Linux systems. Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Chrome-20-closes-23-security-holes-1627112.html
- 40. June 26, Infosecurity (International) ICS-CERT identifies more security gaps for internet-accessible control systems. The Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) warned about additional vulnerabilities to industrial controls systems that are Internet accessible. "ICS-CERT has recently become aware of multiple systems with default usernames and passwords that are accessible via the internet. These systems have not been configured securely with common best practices such as being placed behind a firewall or changing documented default credentials," the security update said. The systems include the Echelon i.LON product deployed in motors, pumps, valves, sensors, and other control devices which contains a default username and password. In addition, ICS-CERT warned that certain industrial control systems have weak authentication mechanisms, which are often difficult to fix because passwords often cannot be changed by the user to protect

the system. These products include ClearSCADA, Siemens Simatic HMI, and RuggedCom.

Source: http://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/view/26603/icscert-identifies-more-security-gaps-for-internetaccessible-control-systems/

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Commercial Facilities Sector

41. June 27, Asbury Park Press – (New Jersey) Cops charge man with discharging fire extinguisher, setting off evacuation of Point Pleasant Beach hotel. June 25, police arrested a man who they said caused a mass evacuation after he discharged a dry chemical fire extinguisher inside a hotel in Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey. He was charged with causing false public alarm and possession of cocaine. According to a detective, he discharged the fire extinguisher on the third floor of the White Sands hotel. That set off the fire alarms in the hotel, and when police responded, the haze caused by the dry fire extinguisher appeared to be smoke, he said. Police began the evacuation as a precaution. Five fire departments also responded, according to the criminal complaint filed against the defendant.

Source: http://www.app.com/article/20120626/NJNEWS/306260064/Cops-charge-man-discharging-fire-extinguisher-setting-off-evacuation-Point-Pleasant-Beach-hotel?odyssey=nav|head&nclick_check=1

42. *June 25*, *Boston Globe* – (National) **Rising sea level a threat in East, study says.** The seas along the East Coast from North Carolina to New England are rising three to four times faster than the global average, and coastal cities, utilities, beaches, and wetlands are increasingly vulnerable to flooding, especially from storm surges, according to a U.S. Geological Survey study published June 24. "Cities in the hot spot, like Norfolk, New York, and Boston, already experience damaging floods during relatively lowintensity storms," said the lead author of the study in the journal Nature Climate Change. In Boston, officials began mapping low-lying areas and critical systems that are most likely to be inundated. The maps show that if sea levels rise just 2.5 feet, it

could take little more than a Nor'easter to put much of the financial district underwater. The Boston Water and Sewer Commission will begin inspecting hundreds of miles of sewers, storm drain connections, pumping stations, and other utility systems this summer to assess what needs to be done to protect them from rising seas. Some major institutions such as the New England Aquarium already took action to protect their buildings. "As we get further along with climate change, buildings in the city like the aguarium are going to have to look at anywhere water can penetrate," said its chief executive. "People are going to have to think about whether they need sandbags or automatic devices to close off their buildings during storms or high tides. They're also going to have to think about drainage and how to divert water." Source: http://articles.boston.com/2012-06-25/metro/32393729_1_sea-levels-powerful-

storms-storm-surges

43. June 25, WTXF 29 Philadelphia – (New Jersey; Pennsylvania) Police report Splash World scare arrest. June 25, New Jersey State Police said a Cumberland County, Pennsylvania man was responsible for a scare at an amusement park in Clementon, New Jersey. Some 5,000 people had to evacuate Splash World when the suspect called in a threat the week of June 18. State police said he also called in a bomb threat to Cumberland Regional High School in Pennsylvania in early June. Source: http://www.myfoxphilly.com/story/18875768/police-report-splash-worldscare-arrest

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44. June 27, CNN – (Colorado; Utah) Colorado fire of 'epic proportions' roars into neighborhoods. Fueled by winds and dry conditions, a wildfire doubled in size and moved down foothills, razing residential areas of Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 27. The Waldo Canyon Fire engulfed 15,517 acres, with only 5 percent contained, and forced 32,000 people to flee their homes, said the incident commander. The 1,000 firefighters braced for predicted thunderstorms that could worsen the situation. The storms bring strong winds that can gust unpredictably. Winds gusting to 65 mph through mountain canyons blew the wildfire through containment lines. The flames came dangerously close to the U.S. Air Force Academy campus. An evacuation order was issued for about 700 residents in its Pine Valley Housing and 1,400 in Douglass Valley Housing, a public affairs officer said. The academy's powered flight, glider, and parachuting operations were called off since June 23 so the U.S. Forest Service could use runways for helicopters used to fight fires. Colorado Springs set a record high of 101F June 26 as firefighters contended with conditions, including ash falling on highways and neighborhoods. Meanwhile, a new fire in Boulder prompted preevacuation notices to 2,300 phone numbers. Six other wildfires were active in the State, according to the Colorado Division of Emergency Management. The largest of the fires was the High Park Fire, which began June 9 and consumed 87,284 acres, the U.S. Forest Service said. It was 65 percent contained June 27. The total number of homes

lost rose to 257. An estimated \$33.1 million has been spent trying to contain it. A large section of Utah was under a red-flag warning, with three wildfires burning June 26. Authorities said they found the body of one person after they entered the evacuated areas of the Wood Hollow Fire, about 30 miles south of Provo. The Federal Emergency Management Agency was providing funds to help fight that fire, which has grown to 46,190 acres since starting June 23. Containment was 15 percent.

Source: http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/27/us/western-wildfires/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

45. June 27, Associated Press – (Montana) More evacuations ordered as blaze north of Helena reaches 1,400 acres. Lewis and Clark County, Montana officials evacuated more homes north of Helena June 26 as strong winds pushed a 1,400-acre fire toward more residences after it destroyed at least four houses a day earlier. Winds gusting up to 52 miles per hour were recorded June 26, pushing the fire to the northeast. The sheriff said officials were evacuating houses a half-mile ahead of where they expected the fire to go. The Corral fire was one of at least six wildfires burning in southwestern and eastern Montana as temperatures soared, humidity dropped, and high winds fanned the flames. The governor issued a state of emergency for Lewis and Clark, Broadwater, Jefferson, and Madison counties. North of Billings, the Dahl fire in Musselshell County triggered evacuation notices for 90-150 rural residences. The fire was initially reported June 26 at roughly 100 acres in size but spread to 3,000 acres. County officials said a second fire, estimated at 500 acres, was burning south of the town of Musselshell. The Bureau of Land Management said the fire was human-caused. It was estimated to be 10 percent contained. High winds also kept firefighting aircraft grounded June 26 at the Pony and Antelope fires, which have burned more than 3,600 acres combined in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. The Pony fire burned 3,000 acres and prompted evacuations of about a dozen homes in a community southwest of Whitehall June 25. About 30 miles north of Whitehall, the Antelope fire scorched 682 acres of remote terrain, and crews have had to contend with rattlesnakes that could be in the area, according to the Forest Service.

Source: http://missoulian.com/news/state-and-regional/more-evacuations-ordered-as-blaze-north-of-helena-reaches-acres/article_4d45d5c8-bf9a-11e1-9428-001a4bcf887a.html

46. June 27, WNCT 9 Greenville – (North Carolina) Croatan National Forest wildfire now 98 percent contained. The Croatan National Forest wildfire in Craven County, North Carolina, was 98 percent contained, according to forestry officials, WNCT 9 Greenville reported June 27. Firefighters felt confident about the containment line they had around the more than 21,000-acre wildfire, but they were not calling it 100 percent contained, a U.S. Forest Service spokesman said. One of the biggest worries was that the increasingly hot temperatures and dipping humidity levels would hinder firefighting efforts.

Source: http://www2.wnct.com/news/2012/jun/17/74/fire-nc-croatan-national-forest-uncontained-ar-2364118/

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47. June 27, Kalispell Daily Inter Lake – (Montana; Idaho) Lake Koocanusa 'running out of room'. After record rainfalls in Lincoln County, Montana, Libby Dam was spilling water to prevent Lake Koocanusa from reaching full pool — but the increased releases contributed to the Kootenai River surpassing flood stage at Bonners Ferry, Idaho, the Kalispell Daily Inter Lake reported June 27. For the month of June, 4.39 inches of rain was measured at Bonners Ferry, more than 260 percent of the average rainfall for the month. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers expected the most recent storm to add 0.5 to 1.5 inches across the Kootenai Basin by June 26. Lake Koocanusa rose 1.2 feet in 2 hours June 26, despite the dam operating at powerhouse capacity of 25,000 cubic feet per second (cfs), in addition to releasing 15,000 cfs over the dam's spillway. Inflows to the reservoir were about 75,000 cfs, compared to the maximum total outflows of 40,000 cfs. Lake Koocanusa was about 5 feet from its full pool elevation of 2,459 feet June 26, the Corps was expecting it to approach full pool by June 30. Source: http://www.dailyinterlake.com/news/local montana/article e23ef80e-bff8-

11e1-bd79-001a4bcf887a.html

48. June 26, KETV 7 Omaha – (Iowa) Hamburg levee exceeds height

standards. Hamburg, Iowa residents have until September to raise more than \$5 million because the town's temporary levee exceeds height standards set by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. KETV 7 Omaha reported June 26 that if the levee is not lowered by 3 feet, it could be removed. Construction for reducing the height of the levee will cost \$5.6 million. The city received \$1 million from the State of Iowa. Eliminating the levee would be cheaper, only costing about \$1 million, but the town has a plan to keep the levee.

Source: http://www.ketv.com/news/local-news/Hamburg-levee-exceeds-heightstandards/-/9674510/15288042/-/item/0/-/prmcb6/-/index.html

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